GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:1566
ANSWERED ON:13.03.2002
MEERUT- KOTDWAR NATIONAL HIGHWAY
CHARAN DAS MAHANT

Will the Minister of ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS be pleased to state:

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(a) whether the Government are aware that the pace of widening and metalling works of Meerut- Kotdwar main National Highway linking Uttar Pradesh and Uttaranchal is very slow; (

(b) whether there is an increase in the number of accidents due to the poor condition and pot holes on this Highway; and (

(c) if so, the time by which the repair and widening work of the Highway is likely to be completed ?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE FOR ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) (MAJOR GENERAL (RETD.) BC KHANDURI, AVSM)

(a): Meerut - Kotdwar highway linking Uttar Pradesh and Uttaranchal is a State Highway and not a National Highway. Out of total length of 132 km, State Government of U.P. has sanctioned rehabilitation works in the portion of 118 km from Meerut to Najibabad under phase-I of the U.P. State Road Project with World Bank loan assistance. For the remaining length of about 14 km, widening and strengthening to two lane standards has been accepted in principle under the Centrally Sponsored Scheme of Inter- State Road Connectivity.

(b): No data is available for this road with regard to number of accidents due to the poor condition and pot holes on this road.

(c): Contracts for the rehabilitation works under Phase-I of U.P. State Road Project with World Bank assistance have been signed and the work is likely to be started in April,2002. The work is targetted for completion in two years from date of start.